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25X1 7. [ ] Met with Mr. Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, and briefed him on the meetings of 21 and 22 April with Mr. Hebert and members of the House Armed Services Committee concerning [ ]

[ ] Mr. Preston commented that the tenor of the meetings in his opinion reflect the growing mood of the House of Representatives. We may well see drastic cuts this year in Defense Department support for free world forces. 25X1

25X1 8. [ ] Talked to Mr. George C. Denney, INR, and Mr. John Leahy, Legislative Liaison, Department of State, about the Ervin Bill. Mr. Leahy plans to meet with Employee Benefits Subcommittee staff people the first of the week. The State Department representative who will testify before the Subcommittee on 27 May will probably be [ ] Deputy Director of Personnel. Mr. Leahy will keep us advised. 25X1A

25X1 9. [ ] Talked to Mr. Wayne Birdsall, Secretary to the reporting firm Ward & Paul, and made the necessary arrangements for the secure handling of the transcripts for the Director's briefing of the Church Subcommittee on 5 May.

25X1 10. [ ] Mrs. A.G. Schultz, in the office of Representative Edward Hutchinson (R., Mich.), called in connection with the Representative's interest in the FBIS area books. It was agreed that we would send the Representative several of the area books on a trial basis so that he can determine his interest in receiving them on a regular basis. FBIS will send the Latin America, Asia and Pacific, and Communist China Daily Reports to Mr. Hutchinson's office for a one week period and Mrs. Schultz will let us know the result.

25X1 11. [ ] In response to his interest in Agency views on the Ervin bill, I hand-carried to Vince Rakestraw, on the staff of Senator William B. Saxbe (R., Ohio), a copy of our briefing package on this.

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25X1 1. [ ] Mr. Cord Meyer, ADDP, and I joined Mr. David Abshire, Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations, and Richard T. Davies, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs, in meeting with House Speaker Carl Albert regarding proposed legislation for the funding of Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty. Mr. Abshire explained the problem and the Speaker seemed completely sympathetic. He noted the danger that amendments from the floor might complicate the problem, and recommended that attempts be made to get the legislation on the Consent Calendar or that a "closed rule" be obtained. He indicated either course would have his support.

25X1 2. [ ] Mr. Meyer and I then met with Senator Milton Young to inform him of our plans regarding legislation for the funding of the Radios and seek his cooperation. He said such legislation would probably come before Senator McClellan's Subcommittee on State, Justice, Commerce and Judiciary of the Senate Appropriations Committee, in which case he thought we could expect a sympathetic hearing.

25X1 3. [ ] Made an appointment to meet with Senator George McGovern on Thursday, 29 April, to respond orally to his letter to the Director inquiring about Agency involvement in Southeast Asian drug traffic.

25X1 4. [ ] Scott Cohen, in the office of Senator Charles Percy (R., Ill.), called and asked if we could arrange a personnel interview for his secretary, [ ] who was interested in employment prospects here. Cohen said [ ] has had editorial experience and feels she would be interested in and [ ] An appointment was made for her to see [ ] at 9 a.m., Friday, 30 April.

25X1 5. [ ] Mrs. Dora McCracken, House Foreign Affairs Committee staff, called to say that one of their members had asked the staff to pull together information on the CIA budget or anything else available on intelligence organizations. I told Mrs. McCracken information on the Agency budget was classified and I said I would send her copies of our Agency pamphlet and the Director's speech of 14 April. I also suggested she check with the House Appropriations Committee for testimony which was released on the DIA budget.

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25X1 11. [ ] Met with Mr. Arthur Kuhl, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, and delivered to him a memo dated 21 April entitled [ ] which was prepared in response to questions posed by Senator Gale McGee (D., Wyo.) during the Director's briefing of 23 March 1971. Mr. Kuhl said that Senator McGee will be advised that the memo was received and will be available in the Committee room for his review. After a reasonable period if the paper is not reviewed by Senator McGee, it will be returned to the Agency for inclusion in the transcript of the hearing.

25X1A Mr. Kuhl told me the Committee has scheduled hearings on Pakistan for Friday, 30 April, for which he will have the major staff responsibility and requested, if possible, a current situation briefing before that date. Various reports have been received by the Committee from nonofficial sources which have painted a confused picture particularly with regard to the killing that has taken place in East Pakistan. I told Mr. Kuhl I would relay his request.

25X1 12. [ ] Met with Mr. Frank Slatinshek, Assistant Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, and gave him a brief rundown on the current status of the Agency retirement investment plan. Mr. Slatinshek had only a hazy recollection of previous briefings on this subject but seemed reassured that we would not need legislation to implement the program.

25X1 13. [ ] Met with Mr. Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, and briefed him on the current status of the Agency retirement investment program. Mr. Preston had no questions and seemed mildly impressed by the program. Mr. Preston passed on to me that the Chairman, by remarks relating to the meeting with Agency and State personnel about the Radios, has emphasized his strong determination against any further funding for the Radios [ ] He told 25X1 me also that the Committee schedule for the coming month is extremely tight. The Committee is already getting behind supplemental and reprogramming legislation. Also, the Chairman has mentioned his desire for a meeting of the "special group;" unless something happens to force a change, there is little time available to schedule one. As an item of old business, Mr. Preston also noted that there will not be time in the next week or so for any review of files.

I briefed Mr. Preston on the India/Pakistan situation and the Salyut space mission.

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Friday - 23 April 1971

25X1 1. [ ] I called Mr. A. Sidney Buford, INA, in response to his earlier call to Mr. Houston, OGC, concerning forthcoming hearings in the House Post Office and Civil Service Committee concerning the Ervin bill. I filled Mr. Buford in on the current information available from the Committee and learned that the Department has done little so far in the way of current review on preparation for the hearings. Mr. Buford expressed his appreciation for the call and asked that I contact his assistant, Mr. George C. Denney, the first of the week since he himself will be leaving the city for a week or so.

25X1 2. [ ] Mr. Meyer, ADDP, and I accompanied Messrs. David Abshire and John Baker, State Department, to a meeting with Chairman George Mahon, House Appropriations Committee, and Mr. Ralph Preston, Staff Assistant, regarding Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty. See Memo for Record for details.

25X1 3. [ ] Received a call from Mr. John Martiny, Chief Counsel and Staff Director, House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, concerning Chapter 55 of Title 5 of the United States Code relating to pay administration. In reviewing a draft bill under study by the Committee relating to premium pay for ammunition and explosive handlers, Mr. Martiny noted that the Agency has not been exempted from Section 5541 of Title 5 relating to premium pay and wanted to verify this determination. Since the Agency is not exempted from the terms of the act, he will word the proposed bill coverage to exclude the Agency. In part, Mr. Martiny also noted that this proposal probably will not go far but in any event could not be a vehicle for amending the basic act if the Agency desires formal exclusion at this time. I thanked Mr. Martiny for the call.

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